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Williams-Quynn Farmstead
Ijamsville vicinity
Private

Ca. 1850-1870; ca. 1900-1930

The Williams-Quynn Farmstead is centered on a two-section log and frame dwelling with a double-gabled main facade and arched window and door openings. The house was built in its earlier log section about 1850 and about 1862-1870, the frame section with the twin gables, segmental and round-arched window frames, and elaborate painted and grained slate mantelpieces was added. The log part is now the rear section containing the kitchen. A log smokehouse dating from the 1850's survives as a domestic outbuilding and a frame wagon shed/corn crib is also near the house. On the north side of Price's Distillery Road is the agricultural group, with a frame and stone bank barn of about 1850, with alterations from the early 20th century for use as a milking barn. A concrete block milk house was also built in the early 20th century. A frame barn probably built as a hog barn and a frame dairy or milk can storage building also appear to have been built between 1900 and 1930. The enlargement of the log section took place after the farm's acquisition by John T. and Jane E. Williams in 1862. Williams was the owner of at least three farms, part owner of a general store in Ijamsville, and also of a mill. He was a county school commissioner in 1870-1871. Later owners were Harriet E. Quynn and the William T. Delaplaines, in the early 20th century. The conversion of the farm from grain to dairy production and the concurrent changes to the agricultural group occurred during this period. The farmstead is moderately significant for the architecture of the dwelling, which, although considerably altered in exterior covering and interior finishes, retains the distinctive gables which are found on at least six other houses in the Urbana Region. The work of a single builder or one of considerable influence on other local builders may be revealed by further research.

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Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Domestic/secondary structure/smokehouse
Agriculture/subsistence/storage/granary
Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/barn
Agriculture/subsistence/agricultural outbuilding

Known Design Source: None

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Williams-Quynn Farmstead

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 4432 Price's Distillery Road not for publication

city, town Ijamsville x vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<u> </u> district	<u> </u> public	<u>x</u> occupied	<u>x</u> agriculture	<u> </u> museum
<u>x</u> building(s)	<u>x</u> private	<u> </u> unoccupied	<u> </u> commercial	<u> </u> park
<u> </u> structure	<u> </u> both	<u> </u> work in progress	<u> </u> educational	<u>x</u> private residence
<u> </u> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u> </u> entertainment	<u> </u> religious
<u> </u> object	<u> </u> in process	<u>x</u> yes: restricted	<u> </u> government	<u> </u> scientific
	<u> </u> being considered	<u> </u> yes: unrestricted	<u> </u> industrial	<u> </u> transportation
	<u>x</u> not applicable	<u> </u> no	<u> </u> military	<u> </u> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Thomas and Lorraine McDonough

street & number 4432 Price's Distillery Road telephone no.:

city, town Ijamsville state and zip code MD 21754

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 664

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 76

city, town Frederick state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. F-7-87

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 6

The Williams-Quynn Farmstead is an agricultural complex located on both the north and south sides of Price's Distillery Road about 1 mile southeast of Ijamsville, Frederick County, Maryland. The farmstead contains a log and frame two-story dwelling built in two stages during the period about 1850-1870 with a log smokehouse of about 1850 and a frame wagon shed/corn crib of about 1875 on the south side of the road, and an agricultural group on the north side containing a frame bank barn, and two frame agricultural sheds, all of the period about 1875-1930, along with several non-contributing farm buildings of the period of the 1950's and 1960's. The agricultural buildings are in active use by a lease arrangement and the dwelling and domestic outbuildings are occupied by the owners as a private residence. Dates of the buildings are based on architectural features, land records, historical maps, and information from Mrs. Thomas McDonough, one of the owners.

The dwelling has a twin-gabled north elevation with five bays and a one-story porch over the center three bays. This is the frame section of the house, and the earlier log section, possibly built about 1850, is the rear part of the house, to which a one-story enclosed porch is attached. Interior end chimneys are at the gable ends of the log section. A 1-1/2 story frame addition with a shed roof adjoins the west gable end of the log section. The exterior of the house is covered with vinyl siding and the roof is composition material. The north elevation window openings and doorway have arched frames, segmental on the doorway and second story and round arches on the first story windows. The sash is 1/1. The entrance has a transom and sidelights and the door has molded panels. The porch has square piers which are probably framed around original turned columns. The east elevation has two bays with the same arched sash as on the north elevation and also has arched windows in the attic. The west elevation is dominated by the 1-1/2 story shed addition, which has a hooded entry porch on the south and 6/6 sash. A single bay is in the frame section. The south elevation has five irregular bays with flat-arched, 1/1 sash. The enclosed porch has groups of modern windows flanking the center entrance.

The interior of the house has been considerably altered in wall finishes, but retains two painted and grained slate mantelpieces of the period about 1870-1880. The log section at the rear contains the present kitchen and has also been much altered. The frame section dating from about 1870 has a center hall with a parlor on the west and a dining room on the east.

Domestic outbuildings:

Smokehouse: The log smokehouse is located southwest of the dwelling and has an extended gable corrugated metal roof over the entrance on the north elevation. The gable is faced with vertical boards and the door is also of vertical boards. The exterior is whitewashed. The smokehouse was probably built about the same time as the log rear section of the house, about 1850.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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Specific dates C. 1850-1870; C. 1900-1930
Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Williams-Quynn Farmstead is moderately significant for the architecture of the dwelling, which has the twin gables found on at least six other houses in the Urbana Region of about the same period, 1850-1870. The frequency of this architectural feature suggests the work of the same builder or the popularity of the varied roofline imitated by several local craftsmen. Frequently the double gabled facade was added to an earlier structure, as in the Williams-Quynn Farmstead. Other double gable houses are the Levi Price House (F-7-15) and three houses in the Kemptown Survey District (F-7-41).

The original log section may have been built as early as 1850, but it does not appear on the 1858 map, indicating that, if extant at that time, it was a subsidiary building on a larger property. Singleton Burgee bought the land on which the farmstead is located in 1829. In 1862, his widow Jane Burgee conveyed the tract to her granddaughter, Jane E. Williams (1832-1900), the wife of John T. Williams (1825-1894). It is likely that Williams had the distinctive double-gabled frame section built, with its fine carved, painted and grained slate mantelpieces and arched windows. Williams was a partner in a general store in Ijamsville, and also owned a mill and three farms. He served as a county school commissioner in 1870-1871. Jane E. Williams left the farm, known among the Williams real estate holdings as the "Home Farm", to Harriet E. Quynn in her will. Later structures on the farm and the conversion of the barn to dairy production appears to have occurred during the ownership of the Quynns and the William T. Delaplaine family, related to the Quynns by marriage. The current owners, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDonough, have owned the farm since 1962.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-7-87

Bond, Isaac. Map of Frederick County, 1858.

Holdcraft, Jacob M. Names In Stone, V.2. Privately published, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1966, p. 1237

Land Records of Frederick County
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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 8 acresQuadrangle name Urbana, Md.Quadrangle scale 1:24000UTM References do NOT complete UTM referencesA

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Approximately 8 acres centered on the centerline of Price's Distillery Road between the domestic group on the south side and the agricultural group on the north side of the road, on Tax Map 88, Parcel 38.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyororganization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date January 1994street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958city or town Frederick state MD 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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7.1 Description (Continued)

Wagon shed/corn crib: The frame wagon shed/corn crib is located on the south side of the road with the domestic building group, in contrast with the usual site of this type of farm outbuilding, which are usually near the barn. There are several precedents of wagon sheds separated from the barn by a public road, but the distance of the Williams-Quynn wagon shed from the agricultural group is unusual. It was probably built about 1875 and has vertical siding and a corrugated metal roof. Adjoining the north side is a shed-roofed addition for further equipment storage. The crib on the south side of the structure is slightly larger and the more tightly boarded walls indicate that the cribs probably were intended to hold both corn and wheat.

The agricultural outbuilding group on the north side of the road were inaccessible for close observation, but are clearly visible from the road. The large frame bank barn, possibly dating from about 1850, dominates the group on the top of a rise about 100 feet north of the road. The barn has a stone foundation with the stall level on the south side partially enclosed for a milking parlor in the early 20th century. The upper structure is covered with vertical siding with louvred vents and a corrugated metal roof. A concrete block milk house probably built at the same time as the milking parlor adjoins the barn on the east gable end. A driveway leading from the public road to the barns and adjacent non-contributing sheds has two frame structures near the entrance gate which appear to date from the first quarter of the 20th century. On the east side of the driveway near the entrance is a frame barn with board and batten siding and a corrugated metal roof. Its two-story height suggests that the upper part was for hay or grain storage and its general character is that of a hog barn. A frame addition on the north side of the barn appears to be an equipment shed of much later date. On the west side of the driveway is a small rectangular one-story building at the edge of a small stream running toward the northwest between the road and the barns. This building may have been built as a dairy or to provide a washing site for milk containers.

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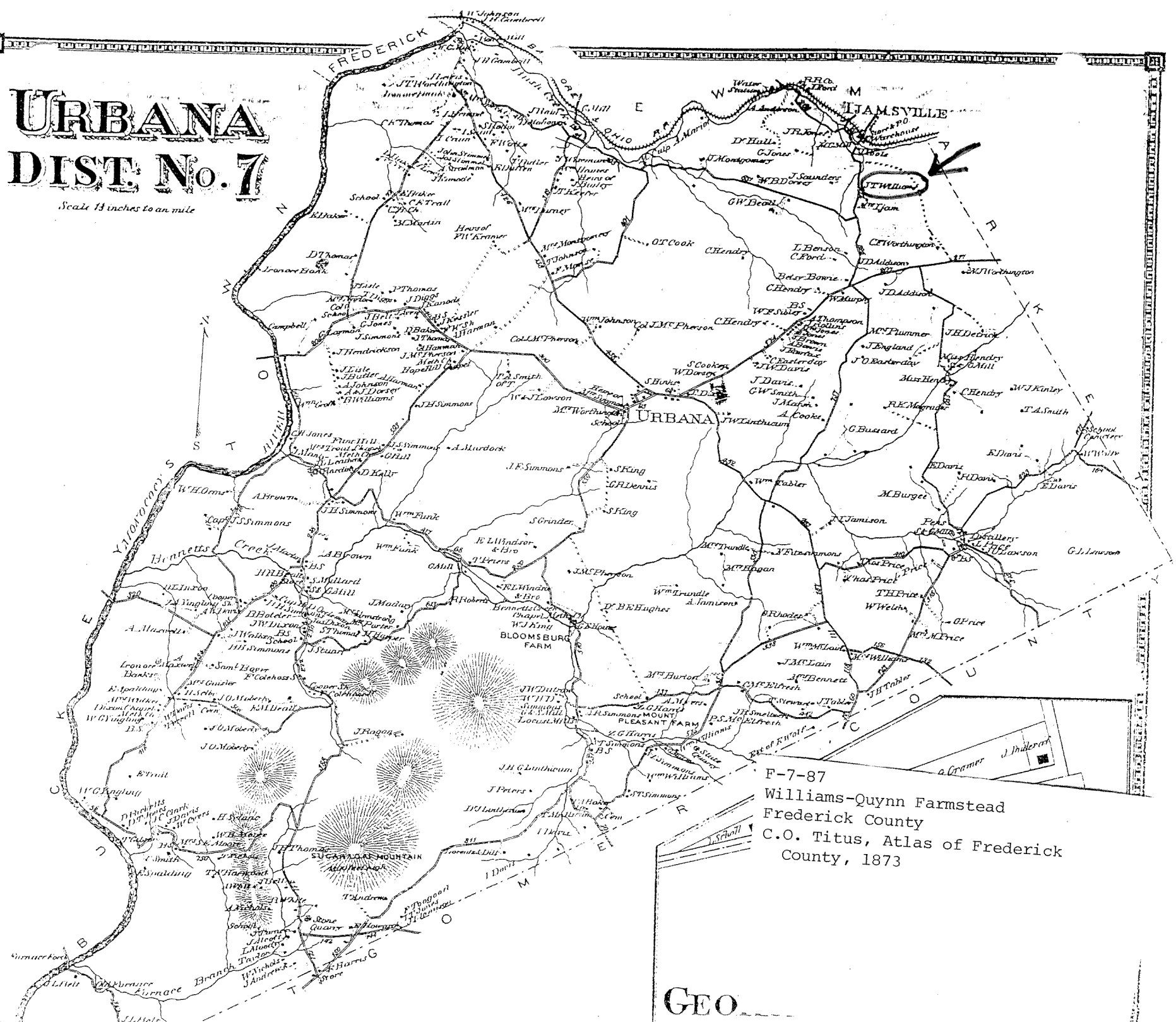
Williams, T.J.C., and Folger McKinsey. History of Frederick County, 1910. Reprinted Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1979, p. 1286.

442 Prices Distillery Rd.

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor	Lot Size, Description, Original Tracts, Miscellaneous	Cost
664/76 26 Jan 62	Thomas C. & Lorraine F. McDonough	Wm. S. & Janie H. Delaplaine	parts of "Paris", "Paris the Third", "Dewalls Forest", "Resurvey on Seths' Lolly" 318 A. see also Plat Book 4/9	
438/533 22 May 43	William S. Delaplaine	Janie H. Delaplaine, trustee as/w	390/480, 26 Apr 34 Will Record GES 2/361, 23 Sept 27 of Harriet E. Luyun, dec.	\$3000
<u>Will Record</u> 6 Oct 1898	Harriet E. Luyun, daughter of Jane Williams	Jane E. Williams (nee Hendry)	232 3/4 A. "Williams' Home Farm"	
BGF 8/101 1 Aug 1862	Jane E. Williams grand daughter of Jane Burgee	Jane Burgie	Jane Williams, was wife of John S. Williams 107 1/2 A., 92 1/2 A., 12 A. 3/4, 19 A.	
JS 32/545 12 Oct 1829	Singleton Burgie	Jacob D. James		

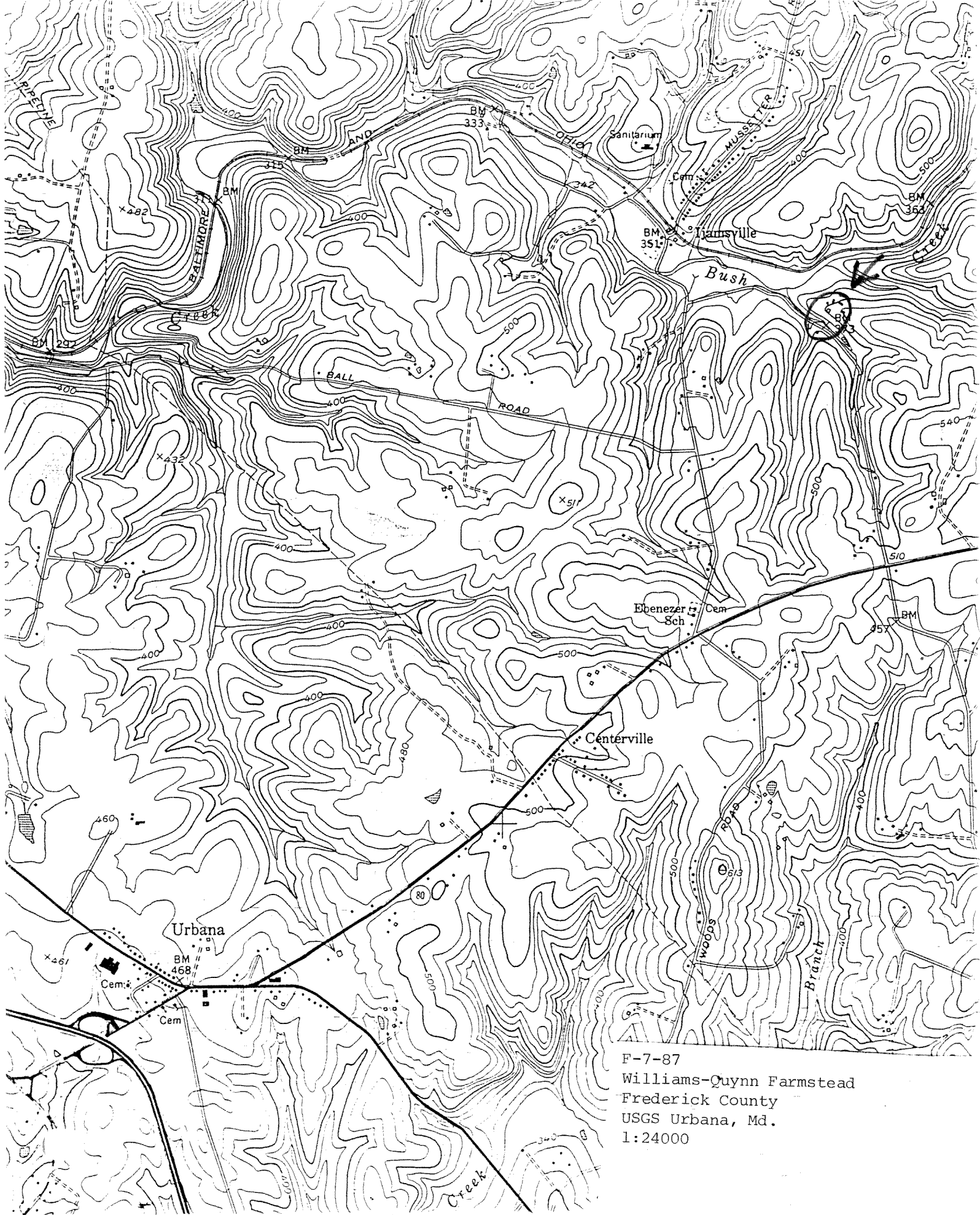
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Scale 1/8 inches to an mile



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C.O. Titus, Atlas of Frederick
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